MR. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vaikam*): പാലം വലിപ്പംപോരാത്തതു കൊണ്ടാണ് എംബാങ്കുമെൻറ വെള്ളം കൊണ്ടുപോയതെന്നുള്ള സംഗതി ഗവണ്മെൻറിൻെറ ദൃഷ്ടിയിൽ പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): അറിഞ്ഞുകൂടാ.

The roads from Chemmanakari to Udayanapuram and from Vaikam to Vazhamana Kottaram.

144. **MR. A. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Vaikam*): Are the Government aware that the following two roads have been pressed for and passed by the Alwaye District Road Board in 1106, but were rejected by the Central Road Board, *viz.*,

(i) the road from Chemmanakari to Udayanapuram : and

(ii) the road from Vaikam to Vazhamana Kottaram ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : The recommendation of the District Board is pending consideration by the Central Board.

MR. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vaikam*) : ഈ രണ്ടു റോഡുകളും ആവശ്യമുള്ളതാണെന്നുള്ള സംഗതി ഏതാണ്ടുമുതല്ക്കാണോ ഗവണ്മെൻറിൻെറ ദൃഷ്ടിയിൽ പെട്ടതു്?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : ഫ ഫ o ഫ മുതല്ക്കാണെന്നു തോന്നുന്നു.

MR. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vaikam*) : സെൻട്രൽ ബോർഡിൻെറ ആലോചന തീരാൻ എത്രകാലം വേണ്ടിവരും?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): ഏതായാലും ഇപ്പോഴത്തെ ധനസ്ഥിതി ഈ റോഡുകൾ ഇപ്പോൾ ഉണ്ടാക്കാൻ അനുവദിക്കുന്നില്ല.

MR. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vaikam*) : ഇതിൻെറ കാലതാമസത്തിനു ധനദൌർല്ലഭ്യം മാത്രമെയൊള്ളൊ കാരണം?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): അതേയൊള്ളു. സെൻട്രൽബോർഡ് ഇതിനെപ്പറ്റി ആലോചിക്കയാണു്. അവരുടെ ആലോചനകഴിഞ്ഞു ഗവണ്മെൻറിലേക്കെഴുതിവരുമ്പോൾ ഗവണ്മെൻറിൻെറ ധനസ്ഥിതിയനുസരിച്ചു അതിനെപ്പറ്റി ആലോചിക്കുന്നതാണു്.

Relieving Mr. T. K. Velu Pillai of his duties as Honorary Secretary, Trivandrum Public Library.

145. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*) : With reference to Notification Dis. No. 1344/31/Edn., published on page 309 of Part I of the *Travancore Government Gazette* dated the 17th November 1931, will the Government be pleased to state,

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[Mr. A. S. Damodaran Asan.]

(*a*) the date on which Mr. T. K. Velu Pillai was relieved of his duties as Honorary Secretary of the Public Library ;

(*b*) whether Mr. T. K. Velu Pillai was appointed to the above post for a period of three years, and, if so, the date on which he was appointed and the date of termination of his term ;

(*c*) whether the order referred to above was passed before the expiry of Mr. Velu Pillai's term of office, and, if so, the reasons for the same

(*d*) whether any defect was found out in the discharge of his duties by Mr. T. K. Velu Pillai, and, if so, the officer by whom and the date on which the matter was reported to the Government ;

(*e*) if the answer to part (*d*) is in the affirmative, the main grounds on which the report is based ;

(*f*) whether it is a fact that Mr. Velu Pillai has sent a protest against the order referred to above ; and

(*g*) if so, whether a copy of the same will be laid on the table ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) 27th November 1931.

(*b*) Yes : he took charge of his appointment on the 23rd October 1930. His term would, if he were allowed to continue, have terminated on 22-10-1933.

(*c*) Yes. Government considered that it would not be possible for Mr. T. K. Velu Pillai to attend to the duties of the Honorary Secretary, Trivandrum Public Library, in addition to his duties as Lecturer, Law College, and the Warden of the Law College Hostel.

(*d*) The answer is in the negative.

(*e*) This does not arise, in view of the answer to part (*d*).

(*f*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*g*) The answer is in the negative.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : With reference to part (*c*), may I know whether Mr. T. K. Velu Pillai was Lecturer of the Law College at the time of his appointment as Secretary of the Public Library ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Yes ; he was.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Was it considered by the Government that his duties as Lecturer would not prejudice his work as Secretary of the Public Library ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : I cannot say positively ; it must have been then considered.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : May I take it that the Government came to the conclusion that it would not prejudicially affect his work as Secretary to the Public Library ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Yes.

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MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether he was the Warden of the Law College Hostel at that time?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know when he was appointed as Warden of the Law College Hostel?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It was only a year after his appointment as Honorary Secretary to the Public Library.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether, at the time of appointing him as Warden of the Law College Hostel, Government considered the question of his work, as Secretary, being prejudicially affected?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I do not find anything in the records to show that it was actually considered.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether the Government were not aware at the time he was appointed as Warden of the Law College that he was Secretary of the Public Library and also Lecturer in the Law College?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): They must have been aware; but it is not pointedly referred to in the records.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): So, am I to understand whether the Government were not aware of it, or that they had not fully considered the question whether Mr. T. K. Velu Pillai would be able to discharge efficiently the duties as Lecturer in the Law College, as Secretary of the Public Library and also as Law College Hostel Warden, at the same time?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I am not in a position to answer that from the records now before me?

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether, even after receiving my question, the Government have not referred to the records relating to the subject?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes. I have referred to the records; but this information, which the member now asks for, is not available in the records before me.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Then, may I know when the Government realised that all these three duties could not be efficiently discharged by the same individual at the same time?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I am afraid I have not got the information precisely about that here. Exact date is not given here.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know at whose suggestion or report it was found out that the same person could not discharge these three functions at the same time?

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MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I am unable to say. There is nothing in the file to show that.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know the date of the earliest record on the file?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The earliest record that I have on the file is a letter dated 2-11-1931 from the Dewan to the Sarvadhikariakar.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know what the contents of that letter is?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I cannot disclose that.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether, when the Government discovered that all these three offices could not be held by the same person, they informed Mr. Velu Pillai of the matter and asked him to relinquish the office which he would choose to relinquish?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No; they did not.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether there was any particular reason for terminating his office as the Secretary of the Public Library without giving him opportunity of either understanding the situation or of giving up anyone of the three offices he would choose to give up?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Government decided it themselves.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Was there any record to show that Mr. Velu Pillai was not discharging his duties, as Secretary of the Public Library, properly?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The answer to that question is there in the printed Questions and Answers.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): What I wish to know is whether there is anything to show that the work of Mr. Velu Pillai was not satisfactory.

PRESIDENT: The question has been answered.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether the Government have considered the question whether, in view of the fact that the Government have been terminating the office of Mr. Velu Pillai before the expiry of his term, he should not be consulted before passing final orders?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I said the Government decided the matter themselves. I cannot state anything further on that point.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Is there any particular reason for the Government deciding to discontinue his Library Secretaryship instead of his Law College Hostel Wardenship?

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MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The reason is that they thought that it would be better to leave with him two allied appointments, namely, the Lecturership in the Law College and the Wardenship of the Law College Hostel.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): With reference to part (*g*), may I know why a copy of his protest could not be placed on the table?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is a personal representation of the officer, made to the Government. It cannot be placed on the table.

Relieving Mr. T. K. Velu Pillai of the Secretaryship of the Public Library.

146. MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the date of appointment of Mr. T. K. Velu Pillai as Honorary Secretary to the Public Library Committee;

(*b*) whether any period was fixed for his appointment, and, if so, the duration of that period;

(*c*) the date on which he was relieved of that appointment; and

(*d*) the ground or grounds on which he was relieved?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*), (*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) The member is referred to the answer to interpellation No. 145 by Mr. A. S. Damodaran Asan on the subject.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): May I know whether Mr. Velu Pillai was Secretary of the Public Library first, or Warden of the Law College Hostel first?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): He was Secretary of the Public Library even before he was made Warden of the Law College Hostel.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): So, am I to understand that while he was Secretary of the Public Library he was appointed Law College Hostel Warden; and that, on the ground that he was Law College Hostel Warden he was deprived of the Office of the Secretary of the Public Library? When Mr. Velu Pillai was Law College Lecturer and also Law College Hostel Warden, he was made Public Library Secretary, I suppose?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is not so.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): So, he was Public Library Secretary first.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Then, he was made——

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): He was Law College Lecturer; he was then made Secretary of the Public Library also; and then he became the Law College Hostel Warden also.

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